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IMPROVING CELL PHONE SIGNALS IN DELHI
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Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal under the consideration of the Government to improve the weak cell phone signals in Delhi; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (DR. SHAKEEL AHMAD)

(a) & (b) Problem of low coverage of mobile service (weak cell phone signals) had been reported in some parts of Delhi especially in Lutyen`s Bungalow Zone area, New Delhi Municipal Corporation (NDMC) area and some parts of Delhi Cantonment area. This problem was primarilly due to inability of the operators to install the required number of towers/Cell Sites in these areas due to the problems in getting the requisite permission from NDMC and other agencies.

Now, the NDMC and other agencies have started granting requisite permission for installation of towers and necessary steps are being taken by the mobile operators to install additional mobile towers in these areas to improve coverage.